

Over the years I have read about radio services offered in other parts of the world such as digital AM and FM that never made it to market here due to lobbying by special interest groups looking toward "their" standards. As a result the FCC of this political maneuvering, the FCC has never able to make a timely decision, and the interests of the public do not seem to be in the forefront any any decisions when they are finally rendered. Satellite radio is here, it is more than welcome by people who spend a majority of their working days on the road such as truck drivers, travelling sales people, or even citizens who have long commutes from rural areas into urban areas. It is nice to be able to pick the type of music or other content that they like to listen to, and be able to stay with it for their entire time in their vehicle, and even, as in my case, in their homes when they are done travelling.

We, as subscribers to satellite radio have shown that the service is worth paying for, despite the plethora of "free" radio content available of the urban air waves. Just how much top 10 can we stand?

If services like traffic and weather are offered as part of our \$10.00 monthly fee, that shows that there are a sufficient number of people who would rather pay for their content to make it worthwhile and therefor a response to the voice of the people.

If the NAB wants to compete with these new "upstart" satellite radio services, then they should look at offering more variety and content to the public.

This is a capitalist nation - let competition, not regulation - determine the market. Let perceived value decide who gets the business - not government regulation.